

**BRANFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Policy Committee Meeting Minutes**

DATE: March 8, 2023
SUBJECT: Policy Committee

LOCATION: Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria
185 Damascus Road, Branford, CT

ATTENDANCE

HERE	ATTENDEE	AFFILIATION
Y	Marie Watson, Acting Committee Chair	Board of Education
Y	Peter Berdon	Board of Education
Y	Cristina Cantu	Board of Education
Y	Meaghan DeLucia	Board of Education
Y	Meredith Gaffney	Board of Education
Y	Ellen Michaels	Board of Education
Y	John Prins	Board of Education
Y	Dr. Tim Raynor	Board of Education
Y	Laura Troidle	Board of Education
Y	Hamlet M. Hernandez, Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Rachel Sexton, Assistant Superintendent	Central Office
Y	Don Neel, Chief Operating Officer	Central Office

Others present:

BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM DESCRIPTION

CALL

- 01** Meeting was called to order at 8:03 PM by Marie Watson.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no public comments made at this evenings meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 02** MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to approve the minutes from the February 8, 2023 Policy Committee Meeting.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION/UPDATE/ACTION ITEMS

- 03 A. Policy 5600 Field Trips**
MOTION (Gaffney/Troidle) to send policy 5600 to the full BOE for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 04 B. Policy 5625 Fundraising Activities**
MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to send policy 5625 to the full BOE for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 05 C. Policy 5825 Physical Activity, Undirected Play and Student Discipline**
MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to send policy 5825 to the full BOE for First Reading.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY
- 06 D. Policy 5200 Bullying and Safe School Climate Plan**
Assistant Superintendent Sexton discussed and answered Board member's questions regarding the current Bullying and Safe School Climate Plan. The decision was to leave the policy as it is.

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DISCUSSION/UPDATE/ACTION ITEMS (Continued)

07 E. Policy 5450 Drug and Alcohol Use by Students & Policy 5475 Chemical Health for Student Athletes

Assistant Superintendent Sexton discussed and answered Ms. DeLucia's questions regarding policy 5450 and law. Ms. DeLucia suggested having this policy address students attending any school sponsored programs and CIAC policy and administration guidance around how policy is enforced. Ms. Watson discussed leaving the Shipman and Goodwin policy as it is or possibly just "tweaking the policy a little bit."

ADJOURN

- 08 MOTION (Troidle/Gaffney) to adjourn.**
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Marie Watson adjourned the meeting at 8:37 PM.

The next Policy Committee meeting will be April 19, 2023
at 6:00 PM at Walsh Intermediate School Cafeteria

Respectfully submitted,
Meredith Gaffney, BOE Secretary

Prepared by,
Kerry Eyrich